

# DROM News

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## Super September



Drom National School Junior Infants 2022 – 2023

Welcome back to another year at Drom National School. A particularly warm welcome to our new students. Three new children started in Drom National School this year. Our new students are Allie Gleeson, Mikey Sullivan and Mabel Ryan. We wish them every happiness as they start their primary school journey. We are delighted also to welcome many new families to our school community and hope that our school can continue to grow and be an integral part of Drom community into the future. We have many new things planned for this year including Peace Proms and the Say Yes to Languages program, alongside those programs that have been in place for a number of years.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Music: Each Wed. in Term 1. Tin Whistles needed from Junior Infants to 3<sup>rd</sup> Class**
- **School Photographs: Wed., 19<sup>th</sup> Oct. 2022 @9am**
- **Aladdin the Musical: Wed., 19th Oct. 2022 @ 11am in Our Lady's Secondary School, Templemore.**
- **Maths Week Ireland: 15<sup>th</sup> Oct. 2022 – 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct. 2022**
- **Friendship Week: 24<sup>th</sup> Oct. 2022 – 28<sup>th</sup> Oct. 2022**
- **Halloween Costumes: Thurs. 27<sup>th</sup> Oct. 2022**
- **Mid-Term Break: School closes on Fri. 28<sup>th</sup> Oct. 2022 @ 2.40pm. School re-opens on Mon. 7<sup>th</sup> Nov. 2022 @ 9.00am.**

### MATHS WEEK IRELAND

Maths Week Ireland will take place from October 15<sup>th</sup> to October 23<sup>rd</sup>. In our school we will take part in many fun maths activities including maths trails, maths quizzes and maths games. We will also be asking our parent community to become involved by taking part in our Maths Week challenge. More about this wonderful 'addition' to our school year in October so keep an eye on our school Twitter page in the coming weeks!



**NORTH TIPPERARY HOSPICE MOVEMENT**

On Monday, 26<sup>th</sup> September we welcomed Anna Ryan, Mary Callanan and Tom Ryan of Suir Haven Cancer Support Centre to our school to present them with cheques for €5,150 following our hugely successful fundraiser for the North Tipperary Hospice Movement held in June.

A sincere word of thanks to all those who supported our fundraiser. We thank in particular Fr Murphy for allowing us to use the church for the event, members of our parent community and local community who worked tirelessly to ensure the event’s success and local clubs who helped to promote the event. We couldn’t have done it without you all.♥

€10,300 was raised in total with half going to the North Tipperary Hospice Movement and the remaining funds raised going towards the purchase of IT equipment for the children. We hope to have this equipment in place in the coming months and are looking forward to liaising with Tipperary County Council to bring a Microsoft Dream Space workshop to the school.

Finally, we express our thanks to the family of Breda O’Dwyer for allowing us the honour of holding the evening in her memory.

**OUR HERO NIAMH**

During the summer break, kind-hearted Niamh Heaney, a student in Third Class in our school, donated her beautiful hair at Core Salon in Templemore to help the to make wigs for children who have lost their hair. We are beyond proud! What a credit to her family and community. Amazing!

**PEACE PROMS**

Our school is taking part in the musical education programme ‘Peace Proms’ and we will be performing at the Sports Arena, University of Limerick, 28<sup>th</sup> OR 29<sup>th</sup> January 2023. Peace Proms gives children the opportunity to perform with a full symphony orchestra in premier venues and work with internationally acclaimed conductors and soloists. Peace Proms is recognised as one of Ireland’s and the UK’s most valuable, dynamic, engaging and fun Arts Education initiatives. Peace Proms engages children in music and singing and enriches their lives by providing outstanding performance opportunities while promoting peace, unity and tolerance.

**TIPPERARY ATHLETICS CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIP**

Wednesday, 28<sup>th</sup> September 2022, saw twenty one children from Drom NS travel to the Tipperary Athletics Cross Country Championship in the Thurles Crokes Complex. We had trained hard throughout September and felt ready to take on the tough terrain and many fierce competitors that faced us in Thurles.

Ms. Dervan kept the troops warmed up and ready for action while Ms. Scanlan was tasked with making sure everyone was safe and well hydrated. She also had the very important job of communicating back to headquarters the results as they came in.

At 11.00am, Ms. Moore suddenly leapt up with a clap and a cheer as the Second Class looked on with looks of utter bewilderment. She had just received that wonderful news that Daniel Coleman had won first! Gold for Drom. Shouts of joy echoed throughout the halls of the school in celebration.

Even better news was to follow as we learned that the Third & Fourth Class Boys team had also clinched gold for the school, while the Fifth & Sixth Class Girls team placed fourth overall in their event.

We are immensely proud of all the children who took part and were so determined to do their best. To come back to school with 5 individual medals and 1 team medal is some achievement. To hear that the children kept going, no matter what and were so supportive of one another – well that is the real prize.

Well done to our medal winners:

Third & Fourth Class Boys: Daniel Coleman (1<sup>st</sup>), Tadhg Heaney (4<sup>th</sup>), James Barry (8<sup>th</sup>), Micheál Maher (9<sup>th</sup>)

Fifth & Sixth Class Girls: Emma-Jane Maher (7<sup>th</sup>)

Third & Fourth Class Boys Team: Daniel Coleman, Tadhg Heaney, James Barry (1<sup>st</sup>).

**SPACE WEEK**

On Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> October, we welcomed Frances McCarthy of Blackrock Castle Observatory, Cork via Zoom to speak to us all about the James Webb Space Telescope and how it uses infrared technology to take clearer images in space. We compared these images with images from the Hubble Telescope and found them to be much clearer.

We learned how infrared light is invisible light at edge of the rainbow that travels through some materials such as clouds of gas better than visible light, hence why the James Webb telescope was designed to detect infrared light. A brilliant talk for ESERO Ireland Space Week.



### HANDY TIPS!

- The school asks students to bring a healthy lunch to school. Please see the school's Healthy Eating policy on [www.dromns.com](http://www.dromns.com) or request a copy from the school office by ringing (0504) 51688 during office hours. **Popcorn, fruit winders, chocolate spread sandwiches and snack items with a high sugar content e.g. chocolate covered cereal bars etc. are permitted on Fridays only.**
- As we approach winter, we would ask that all students bring a coat to school. With our unpredictable weather, we must prepare for all eventualities. It may also be useful for students to bring a packet of tissues to school if they have a cold. Antibacterial gel is available for use in each classroom.
- In order to ensure the safety of the children, please leave a space for the bus to park outside the school bus gate. We would ask that children are collected at the school gate.
- We would ask parents / guardians of children with extra care needs regarding the toilet to provide them with a small bag containing a change of clothing (similar in colour to the school uniform) including underwear and socks. This will be stored in the classroom and can be accessed by the child in case of an accident. In this way, the child is comfortable in their own clothing.
- The school will open to receive pupils at 9.00a.m. and close at 2.40p.m. Children are supervised in the school grounds between 8.50a.m. and 9.00a.m. **THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT ACCEPTS NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR PUPILS BEFORE 8.50A.M. AND ENTRY TO THE SCHOOL GROUNDS PRIOR TO THIS TIME IS STRICTLY FORBIDDEN**

### SWIMMING

The school has applied for the use of the swimming pool in the Garda College once again this year. If successful, students from Second to Sixth Class will receive swimming lessons in the pool in Term 3 this year.

### SCHOOL UNIFORM & TRACKSUIT

In Term 1, students should wear their school uniform on Monday and Wednesday. The school tracksuit should be worn on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. In particularly cold weather, we suggest that girls wear heavy tights or a grey trousers if available.

### PARENTAL CONCERNS

Should you have any concerns about your child's progress please contact your child's teacher in the first instance. Your child's teacher is best placed to speak with you about your child's progress. Please do not use the school email to contact teachers about concerns about individual children.

### CROKE PARK HOURS

The provisions of the Croke Park Public Service Agreement provides for an additional 36 hours per school year per teacher at primary level. The Board of Management of Drom National School designates the use of the 36 hours to provide additional time to deal with the following items: school planning, professional development, staff meetings and pre-school supervision.

### TEAM HOPE CHRISTMAS SHOEBOX APPEAL (SEE POSTER)

Once again, the school is taking part in the Team Hope Christmas Shoebox Appeal. Leaflets will be distributed to all children in the coming weeks. Please ensure that boxes are returned to the school before Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2022.

### ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICINES POLICY

As we approach the winter season, we take the opportunity to remind parents of the school's Administration of Medicines Policy. The following points should be noted:

- Prescribed medicines will only be administered after parents of the pupil concerned have written to the Board of Management requesting the Board to authorise a member of the teaching staff to do so.
- The Board will seek indemnity from parents in respect of any liability arising from the administration of medicines.
- Parents are responsible for the provision of medication and notification of change of dosage.
- Under no circumstance will non-prescribed medicines be either stored or administered in the school. e.g. lozenges, pain medication such as Calpol etc.



## TEMPLEMORE LIBRARY BOOK CLUB

Templemore Library are launching two brand new Children Book Clubs later this month! If your child is ages 7-9 or 10-12 & love to read then contact them at 0504-32555 or pop them an email at [templemorelibrary@tipperarycoco.ie](mailto:templemorelibrary@tipperarycoco.ie).

**Children Book Clubs!**

Contact Templemore Library at 0504-32555 for more details!

## UPCOMING SECONDARY SCHOOL OPEN EVENINGS

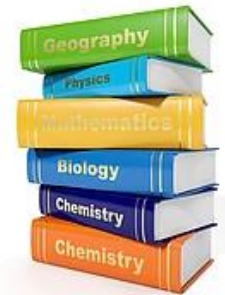
St Joseph's College, Borrisoleigh

Open Evening Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> October

- 5:00pm St Cualan's, Borrisoleigh
- 5:30pm Barnane N.S.; Clonmore N.S.; Drom N.S.; Inch N.S.
- 6:00pm Templederry N.S.; Gaelscoil Aonach;
- 6:25pm Upperchurch N.S.; Kilcommon N.S.
- 6:50pm Ballinree N.S.; Toomevara N.S.; Gurtagarry N.S.; Kilkeary N.S.
- 7:20pm Lismackin N.S.; Silvermines N.S.; Ballinaclough N.S.; Holycross N.S.; Ballycahill N.S.
- 7:45pm Other schools

If your time does not suit, please email [office@stjosephscollege.ie](mailto:office@stjosephscollege.ie) to arrange a later time

1<sup>st</sup> Year Students 2022



Starting Secondary School

**OUR LADY'S SECONDARY SCHOOL TEMPLEMORE**

**PRIMARY SCHOOL EXPERIENCE DAY**

**SATURDAY, 12TH NOVEMBER**  
9.15 AM - 2 PM

6th Class Pupils experience a real school day in state of the art facilities. Contact office at 0504-31299. Limited places available

Principal: Mr Paul Fogarty  
Deputy Principal: Ms Martina Butler

Further Enquiries: 0504 31299, [office@ourladystemplemore.ie](mailto:office@ourladystemplemore.ie)

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# AMAZING ATHLETES



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# SEPTEMBER SNAPS



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**Space Week**



**Training with Tony**



**Dog Training Champ!**



**Peace Proms Choir**



**Our Hero!**